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## **Florida Atlantic University Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Fort Lauderdale (FAU OLLI FLL) Announces Partnership with John Knox Village of Florida, Inc.**

**FORT LAUDERDALE, FL. (March 22, 2021)** – Florida Atlantic University’s Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Fort Lauderdale (FAU OLLI FLL) is pleased to announce that **John Knox Village**, South Florida’s premier Life-Plan Retirement Community in Pompano Beach, will be its 2021 Presenting Sponsor.

This partnership enables FAU OLLI FLL to present the Spring, Summer, and Fall 2021 programming of its popular lecture and discussion series to JKV residents.

FAU OLLI FLL looks to this new collaboration to help expand its services to a broader community and provide John Knox Village’s lifelong learners with many new opportunities for education and socialization, whether in person or virtual.

JKV, known for its all-inclusive, award-winning resort lifestyle and extensive services and amenities, will extend additional life enrichment opportunities to its residents through the FAU OLLI FLL lecture series.

**Monica McAfee**, JKV’s Chief Marketing & Innovation Officer states: “We are thrilled to be the 2021 presenting sponsor of FAU’s Osher Lifelong Learning Institute which will enrich the lives of

our 1,000 residents who embrace every opportunity to broaden their minds and life experiences.”

FAU OLLI FLL lectures are presented by FAU faculty, and professors from other universities as well as distinguished national and international speakers. Past presenters have included New York Times best-selling author **Mitch Albom** and CNN senior political analyst **David Gergen**.

Past lectures have included: *The Biden Presidency: Looking Forward and Looking Back; Liberace Live! The Greatest Hits of America’s Most Beloved Entertainer; Jewish Humor; A Telling Experience Part 1! You Don’t Have to Be Jewish To Love this Humor; US-Iran Mounting Tensions: The Threat and Implications of Regional War; and True Crimes and Misdemeanors: The Investigation of Donald Trump*. Upcoming lectures and classes include a popular mindfulness class, a series of lectures on U.S. foreign policy, and a summer series addressing the future after COVID, from various disciplinary perspectives. Many lectures are delivered by FAU research faculty, who share their most recent discoveries with the OLLI students in interactive classes.

“What a joy to be able to share with the John Knox Village residents the list of incredible programs from our Fort Lauderdale FAU Osher Lifelong Learning Institute,” said **BJ McKenzie**, FAU OLLI Fort Lauderdale Advisory Board. “I personally sought out this type of opportunity to continue my quest for engaging and enriching education.”

OLLI is a nationwide organization that offers lecture series and single lectures for those interested in fascinating educational experiences, without exams or grades. The curriculum is designed to broaden attendees’ understanding of cultural, societal, scientific, and political issues, with courses taught by university faculty and distinguished guest lecturers.

The Fort Lauderdale lecture series complements FAU OLLI programs on the Boca Raton and Jupiter campuses that have been in existence for more than 40 years, forming the largest Osher Institute in the country.

“We are excited to have the vibrant community of John Knox Village as a Presenting Sponsor of our FAU Fort Lauderdale OSHER Lifelong Learning Institute,” said Executive Director **Dr. Michael Horswell**. “Our missions coincide in providing thought-provoking learning and socialization opportunities to the 55 and older community in Broward County. We look forward to having many John Knox Village residents in our classes, as students and as leaders in our volunteer-driven organization.”

A full schedule of current programming and more information can be found at [ollifll.fau.edu](http://ollifll.fau.edu) or by calling 561-297-0177.

To learn more about how you can support FAU OLLI FLL or FAU Broward Campuses, please contact **Alyson Warner**, Director of Development, FAU Broward Campuses, at [warnera@fau.edu](mailto:warnera@fau.edu).

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*About John Knox Village*

Internationally award-winning John Knox Village Life Plan Retirement Community is always innovative and forward-thinking and provides its 1,000 residents with an all-inclusive full continuum of care, from independent and assisted living, to short- and long-term skilled nursing. Today, John Knox Village continues to stay ahead of the senior living industry by emphasizing fitness and overall well-being for each of its residents. Programming, amenities, and even dining continue to evolve to create a happy, healthy, and successful lifestyle for residents. JKV knows what it takes to go above and beyond what has been known as traditional retirement living – and its more than 800 employees take pride in doing so. Visit [www.JohnKnoxVillage.com](http://www.JohnKnoxVillage.com)